

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD OF SONIC THE COMIC (STC) & SEGA. PRESENTED BY YOUR HOST, MEGADROID.

Hey, Boomers!

I thought a cheese sandwich had been left in the office until I remembered the Free scent-sational Scratch 'n' Sniff Sticker on the cover!

For a kick-off this issue sees three stories reach a conklusion. Plus - due to huge demand - there's a double dose of Sonic stories. Amazingly enough, the humes-who-think-they'rein-charge have taken notice of your pleas so read on ...

There's a scent of danger for Sonic in the final episode of Return of Chaotix! Sonic finds himself up against another mighty menace in the Odour Zone! Can it really be the end of the road for Knuckles in the final installment of The Graveyard? Who nose the outcome of Sonic's World? Find out in the finale of Brute Force!

Not to be *sniffed* at is the **UKCAC**(UK Comic Art Convention) photo special from last October, where you Boomers got to meet the *STC* team in the gruesome flesh! Well, there's another one due to take place in London on 3 March ...

Finally, get in the swim with STC's fishy Chopper Badnik pin-up, and practice air guitar in preparation for the Beavis & Butt-Head Q-Zone.

Anyway, I'm off dear Boomers ... and so is that cheese sandwich!



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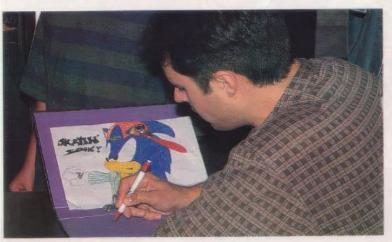




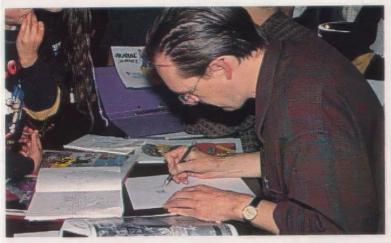
# STC'S CREW EXPOSED! ZONE

A fantastic time was had at the **UK Comic Art Convention** (**UKCAC**), held last October in
London. Thank you to the hoards of Boomers who
turned up to meet the *STC* team in the gruesome
flesh (special thanks must go to Linda and Nyla
Mehdi who had travelled overnight on the coach
from Edinburgh!).

Artists created STC sketches on request and script writers were kept on their toes with quick-fire questions; even the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge were put to work (for a change!). Check out the photos taken on the day, but be warned ... the event was such a success - it's all going to happen again!



Richard Elson, Sonic artist extraordinaire!



Nigel 'the Comic' Kitching.



The Right Honourable Carl Flint.

Mark 3.00pm, Sunday, 3 March in your diaries and trek off to the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London WC1. There's FREE entry (for the STC event only), provided adult-humes are accompanied by children!

The panel will once again include Nigel Dobbyn, Richard Elson, Carl Flint, Nigel Kitching, Lew Stringer and Steve White.



Lew Stringer gives the day the thumbs up!



Aud-itorial Wong!



addy of them all. Richard Burton swaps e-mail numbers with Judge Dredd!





Nigel Dobbyn, Knuckles busting.



Steve 'the great' White Ecco artist.



Please do not feed the artists!

Design Droid Gary Knight.

If you can't make it along, try your and enter the Name
The Artist Competition on the following page
(incidentally, the 'mystery' artist will also be at
UKCAC).

#### \* Parents/adults/minders please note:-

The STC event is just part of the UK Comic Art Convention, which will be a two day event featuring comics of all types and for all ages. For the convention in general, children under 14 years are admitted free, provided they're accompanied by an adult (who is charged £10 per day).

Opposite the Institute of Education is the Royal National Hotel where you'll find dozens of stalls featuring comics to buy and sell. Guest writers and artists from across the world also host signings and talks.

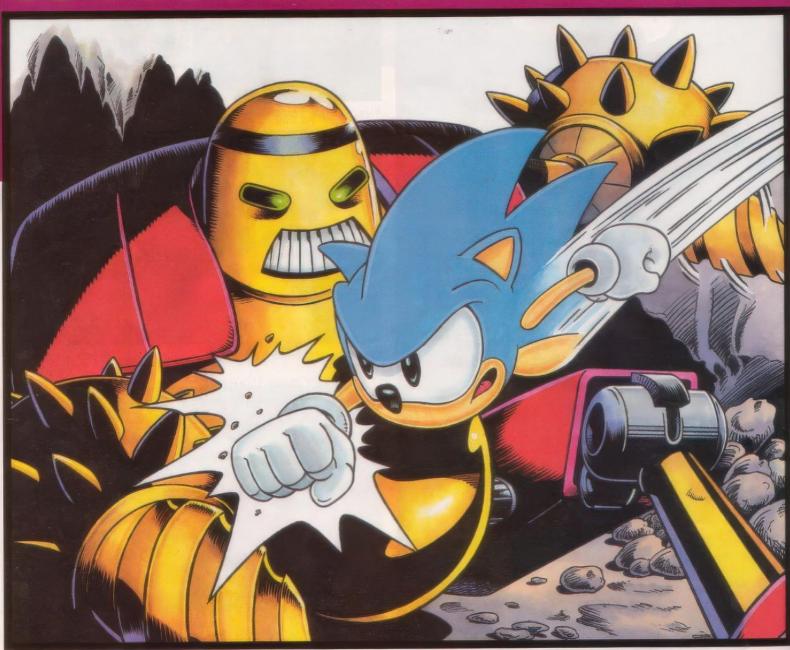
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If you have any queries, please contact e-mail number 101345,2422@compuserve.com



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Continued...

How would you like to own a page of original Sonic artwork? All you have to do to enter the Name The Artist Competition is simply answer the following question:-

Name the STC artist who drew the page above? (clue: he/she hasn't been mentioned in this feature - but will be at the forthcoming convention).

Next, write your answer clearly on a postcard or sealed down envelope and post it to:-

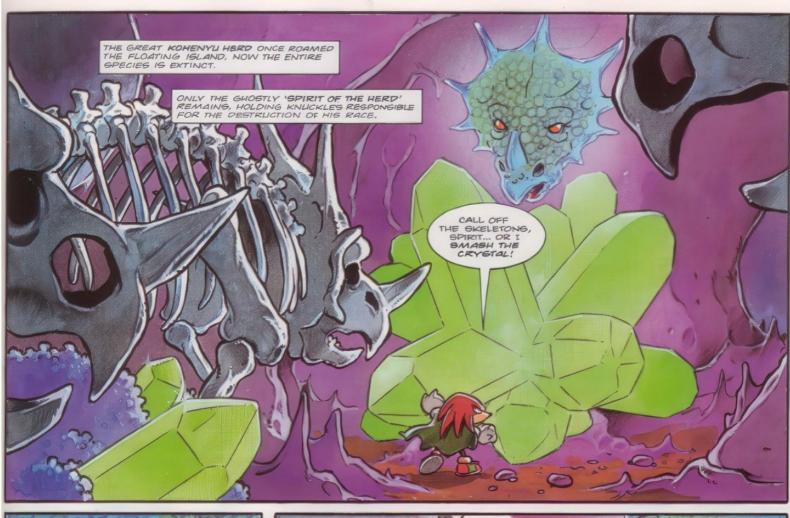
Name The Artist Compo Sonic The Comic 25-31 Tavistock Place London WCIH 9SU

Closing date for entries is Friday, 29 March 1996.

The first correct entry pulled from Megadroid's oil can, will win the artwork (kindly donated by the mystery artist). The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence can be entered into.



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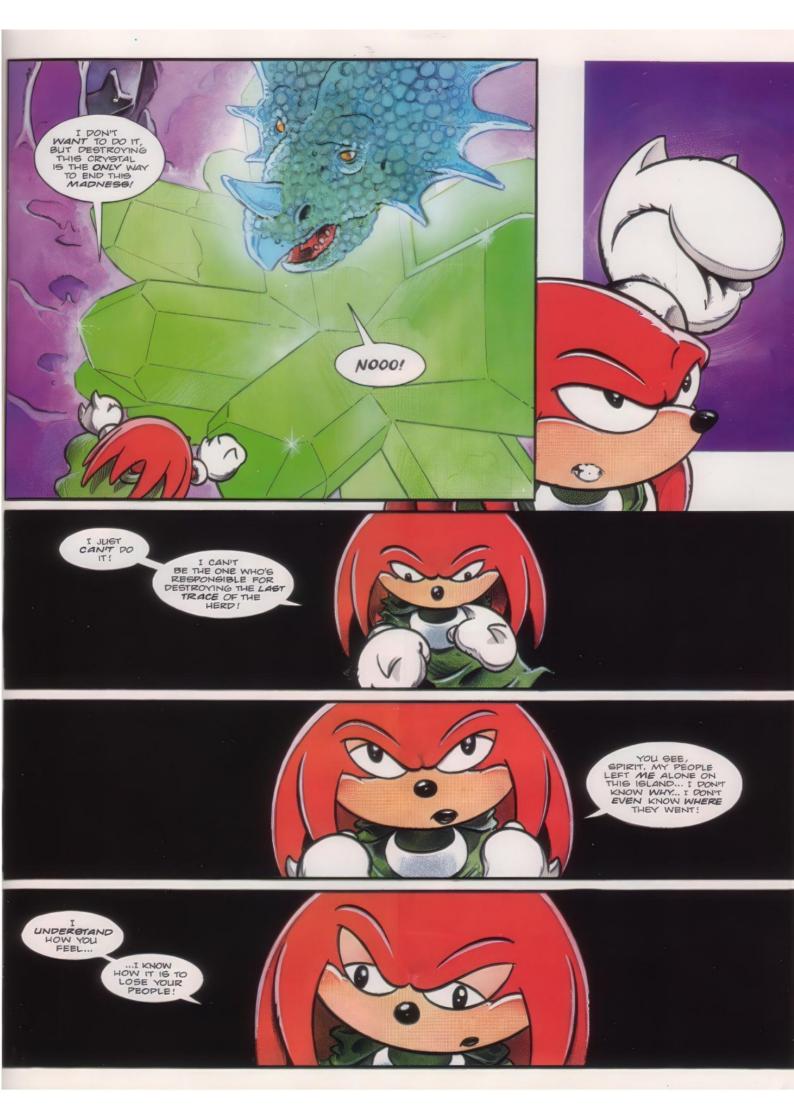




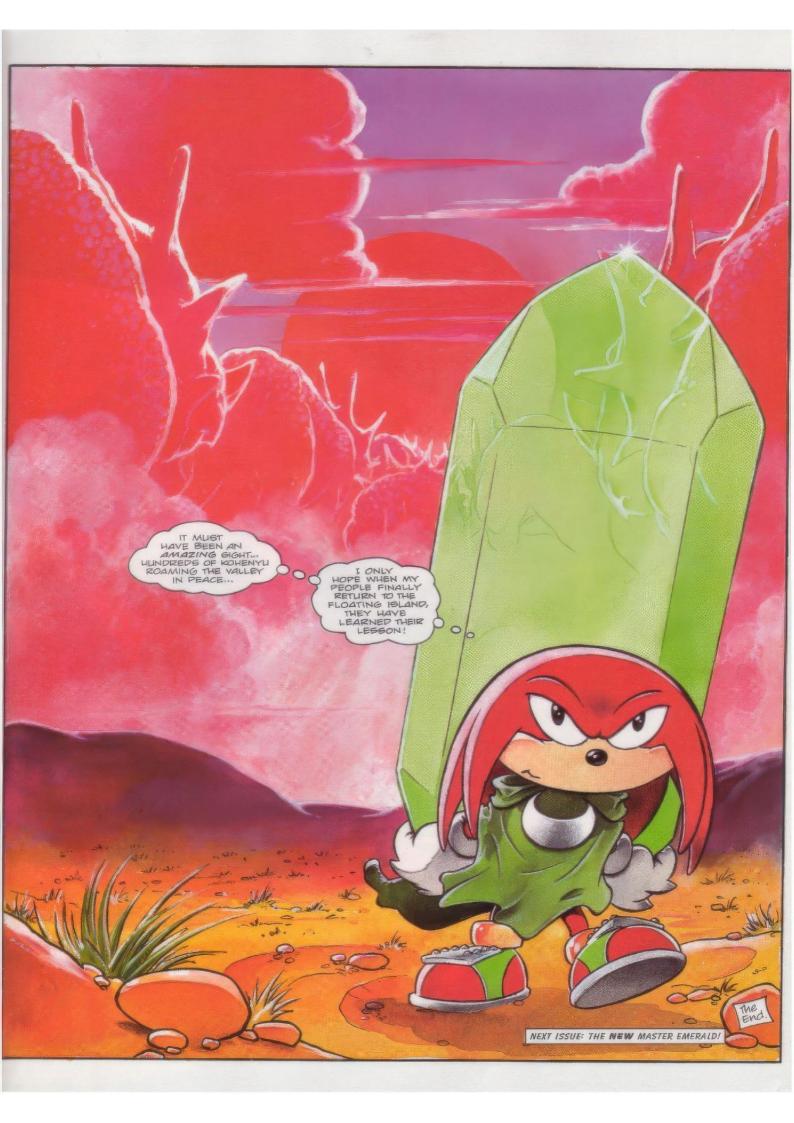
















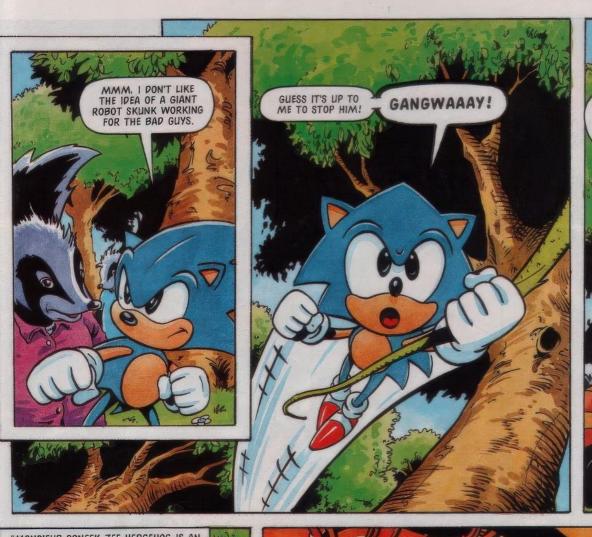






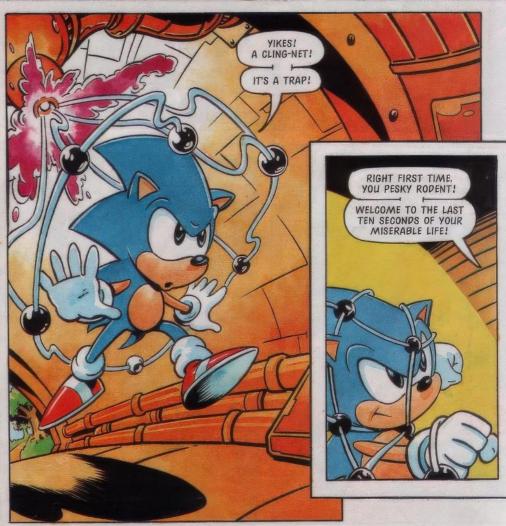
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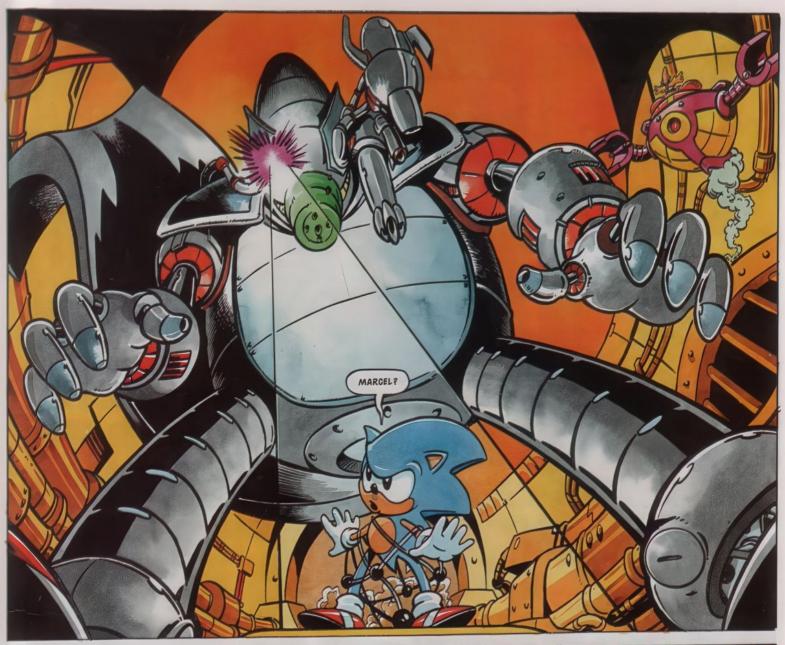




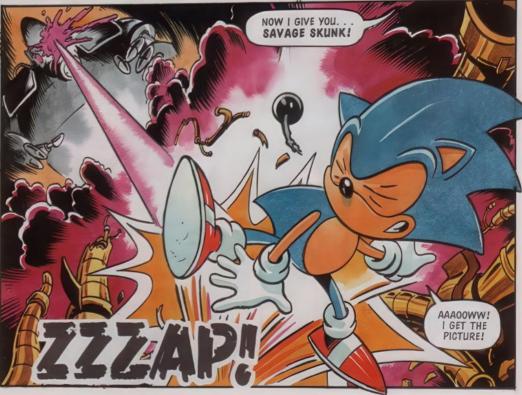


























## ZONE

Q IS FOR QUESTION.

Q IS FOR QUERY.

Q IS FOR QUANDARY.

IF YOU WANT TO ENTER THE Q ZONE FOR HINTS, TIPS AND HELP WITH YOUR FAVOURITE SEGA GAMES, DROP A LINE TO:-

Q ZONE, SONIC THE COMIC, 25-31 TAVISTOCK PLACE, LONDON, WC1H 9SU.



Chris Jones head-butts the Q Zone into action ...

## BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD



SPECIAL Part 2

WARNING: THIS GAME IS NOT SUITABLE FOR YOUNGER READERS.



#### HOSPITAL

Chack into the sick room by eating the green hamburger near the dumpster at Burger World. Jump onto the examination table, take the scissors and then go into the corridors and steal Billy Bob's scooter. Avoid all the trash cans until you end up down a flight of steps. Billy Bob will fall down them too and give up a ticket piece.

#### THE STREET

Go to the end of the street, down the manhole and into the sewers; at the end of the sewers is a junk yard and beyond that is a bone. Get the bone and make your way back to the houses. Go to the second house and shoot the man on his lawnmower with the pea shooter. Now pick up the key. Give the bone to the dog and go to the shed and pick up the fishing rod and chainsaw. Prune his tree with the chainsaw to find a bird's nest with a ticket piece in it.

#### HIGH SCHOOL

Go to Mr Van Driessen's room (which has a peace symbol on the door), and pick up the gum under his desk. Visit Mr Buzzcut and belch on him to enable you to steal two small chemical bottles. Now visit Mr McVickers office and drop the bottles, they will stun him and allow you to get the ticket piece in his room.





#### DRIVE-IN

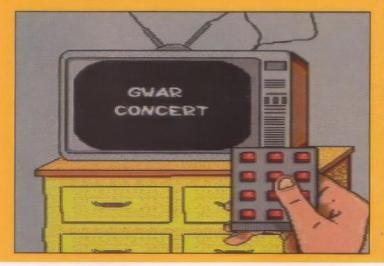
To gain entry, you need \$3.00, the bomb from the Army recruitment office at the Turbo Mall and the camera. Once there, drop the bomb in the food stand (to make it go off, get Butt-Head to drop it, pick it up and wait). Look at all the cars to see which one is rocking. Take a photo of the rocking car and you'll get chased by a woman. Run and jump your way back to the food stand where she will fall and give up a ticket piece.

#### COUCH FISHING

Use the fishing rod and bait to fish for goodies. The piece of gum found at the school will catch the last GWAR ticket piece.

#### GWAR CONCERT

Let's rock Boomers! Enter either through the front or the backstage entrance. Go for the latter to truly complete the game. Use the machine gun to beat off the security guards and the scissors from the





hospital to cut a rope holding up a sandbag. This will disable the stage guards and allow you to grab GWAR stage costumes so you can blag your way to perform with the band.

Finally, if you managed to catch a cat by using pizza as bait whilst couch fishing(||) this will distract the dog.





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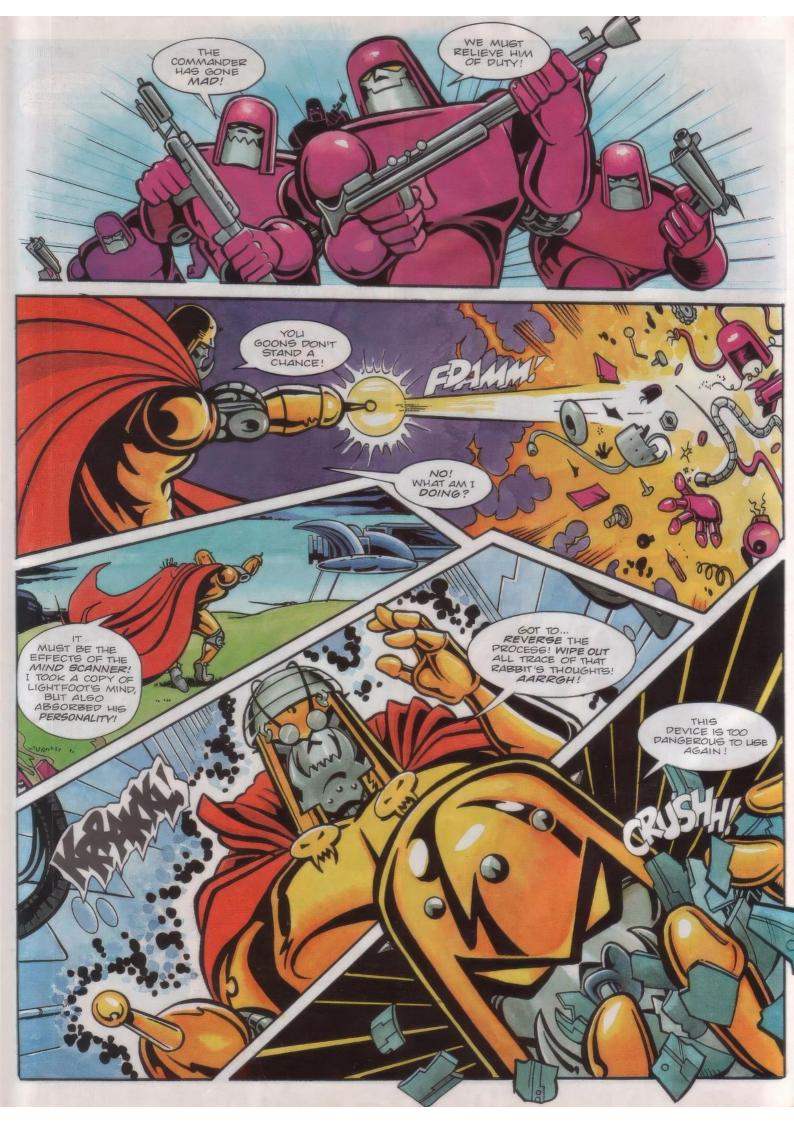
























#### SEEING RED!

Dear STC.

I am an angry **Tails** fan who is sick of seeing the most over-hyped character in Sega history ... **Knuckles!** The only way Tails ever gets featured is as a complete wimp, compared to you know who! You might as well change the title to *KTC* (Knuckles the Comic).

Sarah Rose, Walkden, Manchester. MD Owner.

Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

Thanks for the suggestion, Sarah ... I don't suppose you'll buy a copy of the Knuckles

Special then? Look out for the next Tails adventure which begins next



#### BOOMING MAD!

Dear Megadroid,

I had hoped that after the STC re-design, you would put an end to calling your readers 'Boomers'!

Ryan Bass, Milton Keynes. Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

Well now Boomer Bass, STC's original editorhume, Big Chief Burton, invented the phrase which came from 'Sonic Boom'. Dare I ask what you'd prefer STC readers to be called?

#### PLUNDER CLAP!

Dear Megadroid,

A long time ago you said that Captain Plunder would be coming back! As this comic strip started back in STC 50, don't you think it's time he appeared? If it does happen I might just applaud STC!

Alex Hose, Langport, Somerset. Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.

It just so happens, Alex that Captain Plunder returns in issue 74 for a brand new Knuckles story.



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